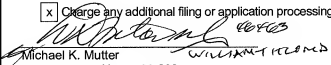


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| Invention: ELECTRIC POWER STEERING APPARATUS   |   |   |                                   |                  |        |
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| Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.  |   |   |                                   |                  |        |
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